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To: ACT Group

Subject: Statewide High School Assessment Updates - 2/2/2016

Dear educators:

Here are the biweekly updates for the ACT High School Assessments:

Thank you for participating in the test Administration online Q&A Training Session for the ACT and ACT WorkKeys, this morning. An archived version of this training will be made available in the DPI ACT Training webpage http://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/act/trainings by the end of this week.

General

Data Update Reminders:

Please work with your district's WSLS/ISES coordinator to make sure that WSLS enrollment information is current and up to date. This data will be used to create rosters for ACT, ACT ASPIRE, and WorkKeys.

Test Security Webpage:

The Wisconsin Test Security Manual and Confidentiality agreement forms are available in the ACT Test Security webpage http://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/act/security.

ACT

ACT- Approved Accommodations late Consideration Requests:

The Window for ACT to receive ACT-Approved Accommodations Late Consideration Form is December 7, 2015 to **February 10, 2016**. The Late Consideration requests are applicable only to: 1. Examinees who are newly enrolled at the school or newly classified as an eligible grade level. 2. Examinees who have a newly identified disability. 3. Examinees with previously approved ACT-approved accommodations, who have moved to a different school (than the school who submitted the request and received the approval). 4. Examinees with medical emergencies or sudden onset of a medical condition. The Late Consideration Request form is available at http://www.act.org/aap/pdf/ACTApprovedAccomsLateConsiderationRequestHeader.pdf

Ordering Non-College Reportable Accommodations:

The window for ordering **Non-College Reportable Accommodations** test materials is now open, and closes on **February 11**. The Non-College Reportable Accommodation Notification http://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/act/accommodations should be signed by parents of students who will be taking the ACT and WorkKeys with Non-College Reportable accommodations. Test scores achieved with non-college reportable accommodations are used **only** for state or district purposes. They will **not** be reported to colleges. An email regarding ordering these test materials was sent by ACT on 02/01/2016 to all DACs and ACT Test Coordinators from Statetesting@act.org. Accommodation Matrices, and additional DPI guidance documents are available in the DPI ACT Accommodations and Supports webpage http://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/act/accommodations.

ACT ASPIRE

ACT ASPIRE trainings:

ACT ASPIRE specific test Administration **online** Q&A Training Sessions will be conducted by ACT ASPIRE on **February 3rd and 10th** at 10am. Registration information has been emailed by ACT ASPIRE to all DACs and test coordinators, last week (01/22/2016.)

You can find the Calendar of Events on the ASPIRE vendor webpage: Training and Manuals tab http://actaspire.pearson.com/allresources.html. ACT Aspire hosts regularly occurring webinars for districts and schools, covering a variety of topics. Sessions for the spring begin this week, and are available for registration now. Recorded ASPIRE training modules are also available at the DPI ACT Training webpage http://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/act/trainings.

New ACT ASPIRE AVOCET Webpage:

As we have specially requested ACT ASPIRE, a Wisconsin specific AVOCET webpage http://avocet.pearson.com/WisconsinACTAspire/Home has been launched where manuals specific to the Spring ASPIRE assessment are housed to avoid any confusion with the periodical assessment. This will be very useful to access the manuals, trainings and technology information for the Spring testing.

Thanks, Viji.

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